of terrorism is committed-for example, the bombing of the Air India jetliner in 1985, the attack on the Sikh community in March of this year, and the shooting of innocent pilgrims on their way to the Amarnarth caves in August. There is more than sufficient evidence to show that the last two acts committed this year were the handiwork of elements from Pakistan belonging to the LET. The facts with regard to the Air India case point to Canadian-based Sikh supra-nationalists as the source of the aviation disaster. If this kind of propaganda is uncritically allowed to hold sway, it encourages militant units like the LET to perpetrate similar atrocities against innocent civilians. It is characteristic of the modus operandi of these terrorist groups to deflect attention from their inhumane acts by deliberately shifting the blame to India.

The first and only address by a foreign head of state before a joint meeting of the 106th Congress by India's Prime Minister Vajpayee speaks volumes about the position of the U.S. Congress on U.S.-India relations.

The recent ill-informed statements by some of our colleagues do not represent the views of most Members of the U.S. Congress.

RECOGNIZING LARRY JUSTICE OF MACON, GA, FOR HIS RETIRE-MENT FROM THE BIBB COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

HON. SAXBY CHAMBLISS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 8, 2000

Mr. CHAMBLISS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to honor an exceptional citizen from Macon, Georgia's 8th Congressional District, Larry Justice of Macon, Georgia, on his retirement from the Bibb County Board of Commissioners.

Larry Justice was first elected to the Macon Board of Commissioners in 1969 and has served as chairman for 10 years. As a long time public servant, Larry has served on the State of Georgia Local Health Advisory Commission and is the past president of the Macon Board of Realtors.

I have had the distinct honor of working with Larry on such projects as the Fall Line Freeway, Robins Air Force Base and many other issues in transportation, health, education and defense. I will miss his tenacity and hard work ethic, as well as, our close working relationship.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to recognize Larry Justice for his dedication and service to Bibb County. He is an extraordinary citizen, and I am proud to serve as his Representative in the People's house.

HONORING THE FORT WORTH ALUMNI (BETA TAU LAMBDA) CHAPTER OF THE ALPHA PHI ALPHA FRATERNITY

HON. MARTIN FROST

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 8, 2000

Mr. FROST. Mr. Speaker, today I recognize the outstanding efforts of the Fort Worth Alum-

ni (Beta Tau Lambda) Chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, which marked its 60th anniversary on this past Monday, December 4th.

Throughout its 94-year existence, the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity has been an exemplary organization, with a mission committed to public service. The Fort Worth Alumni Chapter has done a tremendous job of furthering Alpha Phi Alpha's mission and has worked to make a real difference in our North Texas community.

The Fort Worth Alumni Chapter has taken action in our community to curb juvenile delinquency, foster job training skills and community safety programs, and combat teen pregnancy by educating young men.

Through the years, the members of Alpha Phi Alpha and the Beta Tau Lambda chapter have become leaders of their community, a testimony to the strength of their education as members of this fine organization.

Congratulations again to the Beta Tau Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity on your 60th anniversary. I know you will continue serving our Fort Worth community throughout the next 60 years.

HONORING MR. FRED W. LILLEY FOR 40 YEARS OF FAITHFUL SERVICE TO THE AMERICAN PUBLIC

HON. WALTER B. JONES

OF NORTH CAROLINA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 8, 2000

Mr. JONES of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, upon my election to the House of Representatives in 1994, I opened a district office in Greenville, NC located next door to the local Social Security Administration. Little did I realize at the time how beneficial this location would be in helping the people of the third district.

As you can imagine, my district office over the past 6 years has been busy assisting constituents with their Social Security problems. The work my office has performed on these cases has allowed my staff and I to develop a number of wonderful relationships with the employees of the Administration. One of these relationships in particular has proven to be especially valuable—the relationship between my office and Mr. Fred Lilley, district manager in the Social Security office next door.

Fred Lilley has always been most helpful to my office. Time and time again he has assisted my staff and I in resolving problems for my constituents and has offered valuable advice and insight. That is why, while happy for Fred, I was somewhat saddened to hear of his upcoming retirement from the Social Security Administration.

Upon Fred Lilley's retirement on December 30, 2000, we will be losing a committed and caring public servant—one who has dedicated his career to helping his fellow man. He has given 40 years of service to the citizens of our Nation through his work with the Social Security Administration and the U.S. Army and Army Reserves. Originally from Martin County, NC, Fred began working for the Social Security Administration following graduation from East Carolina College in 1960. During the ensuing years he worked in a number of offices throughout the southeast, including a ten year assignment in Social Security's Atlanta Re-

gional Office before being transferred to Greenville in July of 1979. Since that time he has served as District Manager in Greenville, which includes both the Greenville and Elizabeth City offices. The Greenville District serves eight northeastern North Carolina Counties having over 45,000 beneficiaries receiving over \$300 million annually in Social Security benefits. Fred's respect for individual differences, his ability to build on their strengths and compensate for weaknesses, has made him the quality manager with whom we have enjoyed working.

Fred Lilley loves his country, is active in local and community events, and lives each day to its fullest. A retired Colonel in the U.S. Army Reserve, Fred is also a member of the Reserve Officers Association, the Civil Affairs Associations, The Association of the U.S. Army, and is a member and past President of the Greenville Civitan Club. He is a loving husband to his wife, Lenora who is an assistant librarian at a local elementary school and a wonderful father to his daughter Gail, who currently resides in Florida.

The service that Fred Lilley has given to the taxpayers for the past forty years has, in my opinion, exemplified what a true public servant should be. His concern about efficiency and always making sure the citizens are given courteous and sincere service will long be remembered as Fred Lilley's legacy.

HONORING HAROLD PRAEDIGER

HON. JOSEPH M. HOEFFEL

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 8, 2000

Mr. HOEFFEL. Mr. Speaker, today I recognize Mr. Harold Praediger, who is retiring as Borough Council President of Rockledge in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Praediger has been a resident of Rockledge for 45 years and has contributed years of extraordinary service to his community. He has been a member of the Borough Council for more than 14 years where he served as Recreation Chairman, Vice President and currently as President. As President, Mr. Praediger has played an integral role in kicking off the new Municipal Building project that is scheduled to break ground next year.

A graduate of Abington High School, Mr. Praediger resigned as the Head of Maintenance at Jeanes Hospital in Philadelphia and is now a co-owner of Acker's Hardware. He and his wife, Linda, have three children: Michael, Steven and Leigh Anne.

It is a privilege to acknowledge the achievements of Mr. Harold Praediger. The entire Rockledge community has benefited from his leadership and fellowship. I join the Borough Council in congratulating him on his many years of exemplary service.

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HON. MAJOR R. OWENS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 8, 2000

Mr. OWENS. Mr. Speaker, I have just returned from a 1-week visit to Pakistan and